

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman John Sinrud, on February 14, 2007 at 9 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bill Beck (R)  
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)  
Rep. Edith Clark (R)  
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)  
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)  
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)  
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)  
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)  
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)  
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)  
Rep. Jack Wells (R)  
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Bill McChesney (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Linda Keim, Committee Secretary  
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch  
Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 2, 2/9/2007  
Executive Action: HB 2

**Discussion:**

00:00:00 Rep. Callahan  
00:00:42 Rep. Sinrud  
00:03:50 Rep. Franklin  
00:04:17 Rep. Sinrud  
00:05:13 Rep. Callahan  
00:05:44 Rep. Sinrud  
00:07:17 Rep. Franklin  
00:08:16 Rep. Sinrud  
00:09:38 Rep. Sesso  
00:10:41 Rep. Sinrud  
00:10:53 Rep. Franklin  
00:12:32 Rep. Sinrud  
00:13:31 Rep. Franklin  
00:13:48 Rep. Sinrud  
00:13:49 Vice Chair Taylor assumes the chair

**HEARING ON HB 2****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:14:41 Rep. John Sinrud (R), HD 67, opened the hearing on HB 2, General appropriations act.  
00:16:50 Rep. Glaser assumed the chair  
00:17:19 Rep. Janna Taylor, Chair, Section A, Subcommittee on Local Government and Transportation  
00:21:42 Rep. Sinrud  
00:22:05 Rep. Edith Clark, Chair, Section B, Subcommittee on Health and Human Services  
00:28:08 Rep. Rick Ripley, Chair, Section C, Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Commerce  
00:40:23 Rep. Ray Hawk, Section D, Subcommittee on Corrections and Public Safety  
00:45:29 Rep. Jack Wells, Section E, Subcommittee on Education,  
01:00:55 Rep. Sinrud

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:02:03 David Ewer, Governor's Budget Director  
01:03:15 Governor Brian Schweitzer  
01:09:16 Rep. John Parker, House Minority Leader  
01:13:36 Linda McCullough, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

**EXHIBIT (aph33a01)**

01:17:06 Rose Hughes, Executive Director, Montana Health Care Association

01:21:39 Joe Brenneman, Flathead County Chair, Board of County Commissioners, Volunteer Fireman and Emergency Medical Technician  
01:24:11 Kathy McGowan, Montana Community Mental Health, Montana Sheriffs' and Peace Officers' Association, American Cancer Society, County Attorneys' Association  
01:26:50 Lois Fitzpatrick, Montana Library Association, self  
01:27:47 Steve Meloy, Executive, Montana State Board of Public Education  
01:29:28 Sheila Sterns, Montana University System  
01:31:58 Jim Ahrens, President, Montana Hospital Association  
01:33:45 Jani McCall, Billings Clinic, Montana Childrens' Initiative Provider Association  
01:35:58 Erik Burke, MEA/MFT  
01:39:05 Steve Yeakel, Montana Independent Bankers; Montana Council for Maternal and Child Health; Montana Advocates for Children

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:42:28 Rep. Callahan  
01:43:44 Amy Sassano, Governor's Budget Office  
01:47:19 Rep. Glaser  
01:47:55 Rep. Callahan  
01:48:18 Rep. Glaser  
01:49:43 Rep. Kasten  
01:50:14 Rep. Franklin  
01:51:09 Rep. Morgan  
01:51:25 Rep. Callahan  
01:52:50 Ms. Sassano  
01:53:21 Rep. Taylor  
01:53:36 Rep. Glaser  
01:54:00 Ms. Sassano  
01:54:31 Rep. Callahan  
01:54:44 Rep. Glaser  
01:55:21 Rep. Callahan  
01:55:39 Rep. Glaser  
01:55:45 Rep. Callahan  
01:57:13 Rep. Franklin  
01:57:28 Rep. Glaser  
01:57:59 Rep. Callahan  
01:58:30 Mr. Ewer  
02:00:17 Ms. Sassano  
02:01:44 Rep. Callahan  
02:02:00 Ms. Sassano

02:13:52 Rep. Callahan  
02:14:45 Rep. Glaser  
02:15:03 Rep. Callahan  
02:15:43 Rep. Glaser  
02:16:03 Rep. Callahan  
02:16:51 Rep. Clark  
02:17:24 Rep. Sinrud  
02:18:08 Rep. Callahan  
02:24:13 Rep. Sinrud  
02:24:59 Rep. Witte  
02:26:22 Rep. McChesney  
02:32:20 Rep. Glaser  
02:32:38 Rep. Kasten  
02:33:15 Mr. Ewer  
02:33:50 Rep. Franklin  
02:34:07 Rep. Sesso  
02:35:37 Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Division  
02:36:35 Rep. Jayne  
02:38:31 Mr. Schenck  
02:38:56 Rep. Franklin  
02:41:00 Ms. McCullough  
02:41:37 Mr. Ewer  
02:44:01 Rep. Glaser  
02:46:16 Rep. Franklin  
02:48:02 Rep. Morgan  
02:48:23 Mr. Ewer  
02:49:22 Amy Carlson, Governor's Office of Budget and Program  
Planning (OBPP)  
02:50:51 Rep. Morgan  
02:51:19 Ms. Carlson  
02:51:51 Rep. Callahan  
02:52:49 Brent Doig, OBPP  
02:54:59 Mr. Doig  
02:56:19 Rep. Taylor  
02:56:45 Mr. Doig  
02:56:56 Rep. Morgan  
02:57:48 Mr. Doig  
02:58:00 Rep. Callahan  
02:58:30 Mr. Doig  
02:59:12 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
02:59:43 Mr. Doig  
03:01:29 Rep. Callahan  
03:02:44 Rep. Sesso  
03:05:40 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
03:06:29 Rep. Glaser  
03:07:08 Mr. Doig  
03:07:12 Rep. Callahan  
03:07:44 Mr. Schenck  
03:08:36 Rep. Sesso

03:09:51 Rep. Franklin  
03:12:39 Rep. Sinrud  
03:12:50 Rep. Kasten  
03:13:02 Rep. Glaser  
03:13:36 Rep. Callahan  
03:16:05 Rep. Glaser  
03:19:18 Rep. Franklin  
03:19:36 Rep. Sinrud  
03:20:59 Rep. Musgrove  
03:21:23 Rep. Glaser  
03:21:57 Rep. Musgrove  
03:22:03 Rep. Glaser  
03:24:42 Rep. Sinrud  
03:25:10 Rep. Glaser  
03:28:25 Rep. Callahan  
03:30:44 Ms. Sassano  
03:31:15 Rep. Glaser  
03:31:53 Rep. Callahan  
03:33:53 Rep. Musgrove  
03:34:15 Ms. Sussano  
03:34:55 Rep. Callahan  
03:35:31 Rep. Franklin  
03:35:44 Rep. Glaser  
03:36:03 Rep. Callahan  
03:37:11 Rep. Sinrud  
03:38:56 Rep. Callahan  
03:39:40 Rep. Glaser

**Closing by Sponsor:**

03:41:09 Rep. Sinrud  
03:42:49 Rep. Sinrud resumed the chair  
03:43:35 **Motion:** Rep. Wells moved **HB 2 DO PASS.**  
03:44:00 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved to **TABLE HB 2.**

**Discussion:**

Rep. Franklin  
Rep. Callahan

12:53:00 **Vote:** Motion passed 11-8 by roll call vote. Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Hiner, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Sesso, and Rep. Musgrove voted no. Rep. Morgan voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 12:55 P.M.

---

REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

---

LINDA KEIM, Secretary

JS/lk

Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([aph33aad.pdf](#))**